

In the Specification

At page 1, after the title, insert

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At page 6, line 25, after "A", insert --(SEQ ID NO:1)--;

line 25, after "B", insert --(SEQ ID NO:2)--;

line 25, after "C", insert --(SEQ ID NO:5)--; and

line 25, after "D", insert --(SEQ ID NO:6)--.

At page 8, line 4, after "A", insert --(SEQ ID NO:1)--;

line 4, after "B", insert --(SEQ ID NO:2)--;

line 4, after "A'", insert --(SEQ ID NO:3)--;

line 4, after "B'", insert --(SEQ ID NO:4)--;

line 30, after "B9.1F", insert --(SEQ ID NO:9)--; and

line 30, after "B9.1R", insert --(SEQ ID NO:10)--.

At page 20, line 12, after "A", insert --(SEQ ID NO:1)--;

line 12, after "C", insert --(SEQ ID NO:5)--;

line 26, after "A'", insert --(SEQ ID NO:3)--;

line 27, after "B'", insert --(SEQ ID NO:4)--;

line 27, after "C'", insert --(SEQ ID NO:7)--; and

line 27, after "D'", insert --(SEQ ID NO:8)--.

At page 21, line 16, after "3" and before ";", insert --(SEQ ID NO:1)--.

line 17, after "CAGACTTGTCAGCCT3" and before ";", insert --(SEQ ID NO:2);

line 17, after "5'ATGCCAACCCTGCTCTGGAGGCCT3" and before ";", insert --(SEQ ID NO:3)--;

line 18, after "3" and before ";", insert --(SEQ ID NO:4)--;

line 19, after "CAGAGGAGAAAA3" and before ";", insert (SEQ ID NO:5)--;

line 19, after "GCGGTACCCCAGCAGCCCGGCCTTGAAGAA3" and before ";", insert --(SEQ ID NO:6)--;

line 20, after "3" and before ";", insert --(SEQ ID NO:7)--;

line 21, after "3" and before ";", insert --(SEQ ID NO:8)--;

line 22, after "CATC3" and before ";", insert --(SEQ ID NO:9)--; and

line 22, after "5'GCTGAGCCTAGCAGATTCATGGCAC3" and before ".", insert --(SEQ ID NO:10)--.

At page 23, line 14, after "C", insert --(SEQ ID NO:5)--;

line 14, after "D", insert --(SEQ ID NO:6)--;

line 15, after "A", insert --(SEQ ID NO:1)--;

line 15, after "B", insert --(SEQ ID NO:2)--;

line 17, after "C", insert --(SEQ ID NO:7)--;

line 17, after "D", insert --(SEQ ID NO:8)--;

line 17, after "A", insert --(SEQ ID NO:3)--; and

line 18, after "B", insert --(SEQ ID NO:4)--.

At page 24, line 17, after "C", insert ~~--(SEQ ID NO:5)--~~;

line 17, after "D", insert ~~--(SEQ ID NO:6)--~~;

line 18, after "C", insert ~~--(SEQ ID NO:7)--~~; and

line 18, after "D", insert ~~--(SEQ ID NO:8)--~~.

At page 25, line 24, after "A", insert ~~--(SEQ ID NO:1)--~~;

line 24, after "B", insert ~~--(SEQ ID NO:2)--~~;

line 24, after "A", insert ~~--(SEQ ID NO:3)--~~; and

line 24, after "B", insert ~~--(SEQ ID NO:4)--~~.

At page 39, line 16, after "Table 2", delete "in" and insert --and--.

At page 40, line 26, after "in", delete "he" and insert --the--.

### In the Claims

All of the pending claims are set forth below for the Examiner's convenience.

Please cancel claim 31. Please add new claims 39-43.

✓ Please amend the claims as indicated below. ✓

1. (Amended) A method for detecting the presence or absence of a mutation associated with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy for facilitating the diagnosis of

hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, comprising:

amplifying  $\beta$  cardiac myosin heavy-chain DNA forming an amplified product; and